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REPLY

Commissioner for patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2002 (Paper No. 12), kindly amend this application as follows. A marked-up version of the amended specification paragraphs and the amended claims, showing the changes made, is included at the end of this Reply.

IN THE SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the three paragraphs appearing on page 8 of the substitute specification with the following three paragraphs: